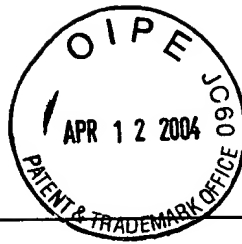


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Please make the following amendments in addition to those proposed in the reply that was filed April 2, 2001.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Claims 17, 21, 22, 26-28 rewrite as follows.

C1 000 17. (Amended) A shaped knit, the shaped knit comprising a plurality of discrete deformation regions distributed over the knit, whereby the density of deformation regions in an area of the knit determines the degree of shaping of the knit in that area.

C2 21. (Amended) A shaped knit according to claim 17, wherein each of said deformation regions includes a widening loop splitting a wale into a pair of wales wherein each of said deformation regions also includes a narrowing loop which recombines the pair of wales, and wherein there is a fully knitted wale between adjacent deformation regions.